

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CRM-M-17285 of 2022 (O&M)

DECIDED ON: 12th July, 2022

Vivek Sharma

.....PETITIONER

VERSUS

State of Punjab

.....RESPONDENT

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN.

Present: Mr. Sunil Pandey, Advocate for
Mr. Vibhor Bansal, Advocate for petitioner.

Mr. Amit Mehta, Sr. DAG Punjab.

AVNEESH JHINGAN, J (ORAL)

This petition is filed for grant of anticipatory bail in case of FIR No.5 dated 22.3.2022 under Sections 406, 420, 120-B IPC, 1860 and Section 13 of Punjab Travel Professionals (Regulations) Act, 2014, registered at Police Station NRI, District SAS Nagar (Mohali).

Learned State counsel on instructions from DSP Jarnail submits that the petitioner in pursuance of directions of this Court has joined investigation, however, he needs to join investigation again.

On 23.6.2022, following order was passed:

"Detailed reply by way of an affidavit of Narinder Pal PPS, Deputy Superintendent of Police (PBI, NDPS-Narcotics), District Rupnagar, dated 20.06.2022 has been filed, in terms of the order dated 17.05.2022. The same is taken on record. Copy of the said reply has been furnished to learned counsel for the petitioner.

Learned State counsel seeks a short accommodation, which is opposed as the petitioner is pressing for interim bail.

Mr. Joshi, on instructions from Narinder Chaudhary, DSP (PBI & NDPS), Ropar, submits that the process of summoning the petitioner for interrogation is underway and the pace of investigation may be protected.

It is already 4:38 P.M. Court time is over.

To come up on 12.07.2022.

In view of the above, as a onetime measure, pending consideration of the prayer for grant of anticipatory bail the petitioner be not arrested till the next date of hearing only, in case FIR No.0005 dated 22.03.2022 registered at P.S. NRI, District SAS Nagar (Mohali). The petitioner shall abide by the conditions specified in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. It is, however, made clear that this limited duration interim order would not operate as a bar for the SIT to proceed with the investigation nor be it construed in any manner to forestall the petitioner from joining the investigation, as and when required. "

The petitioner is granted pre-arrest bail subject to continuing to join investigation as and when called for. He shall abide by the conditions as envisaged under Section 438(2) Cr.P.C. In the event of arrest, he shall be released on bail subject to his furnishing adequate bail bonds to the satisfaction of the Investigating Officer.

Disposed of.

Since the main case has been decided, the pending application, if any is rendered infructuous.

(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE

12th July, 2022

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<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>